

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Ap	oplication of:	Group Art Unit: 1814
Fernando Valle et al.		Examiner: R. Prouty
Serial N	No.: 08/435,510))
Filed: I	May 5, 1995	,))
For:	Application of Glucose Transport Mutants for Production of Aromatic Pathway Compounds))

Information Disclosure Statement

Hon. Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit herewith patents, publications or other information (listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and attached thereto) of which they are aware, that they believe may be material to the examination of this application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 CFR §1.56.

This Information Disclosure Statement:

(a) <u></u>	accompanies the new patent application submitted herewith. 37 CFR §1.97(a).
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Respectfully submitted,

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